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Department of Home

Home—General Division

Office of the District Magistrate, North Goa District

Order

No. 45/15/04/MAG

Under Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973

To,

The Public Generally,

Whereas, an announcement has been made by the Election Commission of India, New Delhi, to hold the Election to the Lok Sabha and accordingly the Election 1-Panaji Parliamentary Constituency is going to be held on 26-4-2004 and directions have been given to ensure free, fair and peaceful Elections;

Whereas, in my considered opinion there is sufficient ground for proceeding under sub-section (i) of Section 144 of Criminal Procedure Code, 1973, and to impose ban for carrying of all type of arms and fire arms and other lethal weapons, to ensure free, fair, peaceful, and orderly conduct of the Election process and to prevent obstruction, annoyance or injury to any

person lawfully employed or danger to human life, or safety, or disturbance of public tranquility, or riot, or an affray, during the electioneering;

And Whereas, I am satisfied that the circumstances do not admit of serving in due time of the notices individually;

Now, Therefore, I, S. S. Keshkamat, District Magistrate, North Goa, Panaji, in exercise of the powers vested in me under Section 144 of Cr. P. C. 1973 do hereby prohibit the carrying of all type of arms, fire arms, ammunition, lethal weapons, in any public place, street, road squares, thoroughfare, bylanes or in any open place in the entire District of North Goa with immediate effect till 26th May, 2004.

However, the above restrictions shall not apply to Public Servants/Police/Defence Personnel and Security Personnel on duty and to those members of the Community who are entitled to display weapons by long standing law, custom and usage, unless they are found to be indulging in violence or posing a threat to the maintenance of law and order and peaceful conduct of elections.

Given under my hand and Seal of this Office, on this 8th day of March, 2004.

S. S. KESHKAMAT,

District Magistrate,
North Goa District, Panaji.